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I'm amazed that Microsoft's refusal to allow any other OS to be loaded on a hardware vendor's systems (making them dual-boot capable) was never mentioned in the first trial. Surely this is a leveraging a monopoly? Until this issue is addressed, few contenders from the Linux world will have an even remote shot at a noteable desktop market share. I own no Red Hat Linux, et al, stock. And I usually run Linux at home. One of the few, though, and I wish it would spread. Few home users are even aware that fragile operating systems are a Microsoft pecularity. They think 'that's just the way computers are.' Because the market is \*so\* MS dominated.

Isn't the DoJ supposed to be protecting us? Why the cave-in?

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